

## Message Text

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INFO AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 4360

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PBOR, ET, SO, OAU  
SUBJ: POSSIBLE OAU MEDIATION OF ETHIOPIA-SOMALIA PROBLEM

REF: LIBREVILLE 1718

1. PETER ONU, OAU ASST SEC GEN FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, TOLD CHARGE EVENING JULY 16 THAT IF HE CAN ARRANGE IT, OAU SECRETARIAT WILL TRY AND CONVENE HITHERTO DEFUNCT OAU ETHIOPIAN-SOMALIA COMMITTEE CREATED IN 1973 TO TRY TO DEAL WITH WORSENING ETHIOPIA-SOMALIA PROBLEM. IN ONU'S VIEW, PROBLEM IS URGENT, AND IF OAU IS TO MAKE USEFUL CONTRIBUTION, IT SHOULD DO SO NOW. IN RESPONSE TO CHARGE'S QUESTION, ONU SAID BY "NOW" HE MEANT WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS.

2. DESPITE HIS CONVICTION THAT OAU OUGHT TO BE DOING SOMETHING, ONU WAS VAGUE ABOUT WHAT OAU MIGHT ACTUALLY BE ABLE ACCOMPLISH. HE COULD, HOWEVER, CONVENE MEETING QUICKLY USING AMBASSADORS RESIDENT IN ADDIS IF THEIR GOVTS AGREED. CHARGE IN ANY CASE TOLD HIM HE THOUGHT INITIATIVE WAS GOOD IDEA AND THAT IT APPEARED TO BE  
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